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O R 290200Z MAY 78
FM AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8222
INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

C O N F I D E N T I A L SAN SALVADOR 2665

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS PINT SHUM ES
SUBJ: MATSUMOTO KIDNAPPING

REF: SAN SALVADOR 2662

1. PASSAGE OF FRIDAY NOON DEADLINE HAS LEFT SAN SALVADOR IN
CONTINUING DOUBT AS TO FATE OF KIDNAPPED JAPANESE BUSINESSMAN
FUJIO MATSUMOTO.

2. WE HAVE MAINTAINED DISCREET CONTACT WITH JAPANESE EMBASSY
TO REITERATE OUR CONTINUING AVAILABILITY FOR CONSULTATION AND
ANY FEASIBLE COOPERATION. IT SHOULD BE REMEMBERED, HOWEVER, THAT
FOR TACTICAL REASONS JAPANESE EMBASY HAS REMAINED IN BACK-
GROUND AND LEFT ALL CONTACT AND NEGOTIATIONS WITH KIDNAPPERS
TO FAMILY AND EMPLOYING COMPANY ISINCA.

3. AS OF LATE SUNDAY AFTERNOON JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICER
AGAIN VISITED EMBASSY RESIDENCE FOR REVIEW OF CASE AND TO
ACQUAINT ME WITH LATEST DEVELOPMENTS. MOST INTERESTING
AND SOMEWHAT ENCOURAGING WAS TELEPHONE CALL RECEIVED
BY JAPANESE EMBASSY ON SATURDAY MAY 27. CALLER IDENTIFIED
SELF AS REPRESENTING KIDNAPPERS, NOTED THAT FRIDAY NOON DEADLINE
FOR MEETING POLITICAL DEMANDS HAD PASSED, SAID THAT ALTERNATIVE
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PROPOSAL BEING CONSIDERED, SUGGESTED THAT EMBASSY TAKE CHARGE
OF NEGOTIATIONS, AND INQUIRED IF EMBASSY WOULD BE PREPARED TO
COLLABORATE ECONOMICALLY. TELEPHONE CALL, APPARENTLY FROM
PUBLIC PHONE, WAS CUT OFF BEFORE ANY FIRM CONCLUSIONS
COULD BE REACHED, BUT IN ANSWER TO DIRECT INQUIRY CALLER GAVE
ASSURANCES THAT MATSUMOTO WAS ALIVE AND WELL.
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